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CHAMBER ACTION

The PreK-12 Committee recommends the following:

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Council/Committee Substitute

Remove the entire bill and insert:

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to administration of medication to public school students; creating s. 1006.0625, F.S.; defining the term "psychotropic medication"; prohibiting recipients of state funds used for educational purposes from requiring a student to be prescribed or administered psychotropic medication as a condition of receipt of educational services; providing requirements for administration; providing a restriction relating to the diagnosis or treatment of mental disorders; authorizing teachers or school district personnel to share observations with parents regarding student performance and behavior; providing an effective date.

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Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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Section 1. Section 1006.0625, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

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1006.0625 Administration of psychotropic medication; prohibition; conditions.--

- (1) As used in this section, the term "psychotropic medication" means a prescription medication that is used for the treatment of mental disorders and includes, without limitation, hypnotics, antipsychotics, antidepressants, anxiety agents, sedatives, psychomotor stimulants, and mood stabilizers.
- (2) A recipient of state funds shall not require a student to be prescribed or administered any psychotropic medication as a condition of such student receiving educational or school-based services, including, but not limited to, school enrollment, class attendance, extracurricular activity participation, or school-related event attendance, that are financed in whole or part by state funds. A psychotropic medication shall be administered pursuant to s. 1006.062.
- (3) A school or school district personnel shall not initiate, or make a referral for, diagnosis or treatment of a student for any disorder listed in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders or in ICD-10. However, nothing in this subsection shall be construed to prohibit a teacher or school district personnel from sharing classroombased observations with parents regarding a student's academic and functional performance and behavior in the classroom or school.
 - Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.